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## MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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### **COUNTY HONORS OUTSTANDING ASSET BUILDERS**

Monroe County will honor nearly 200 individuals and/or organizations, from across the county on Saturday, October 5, for their outstanding asset building contributions to the community as part of the fourth annual "Family Celebration of Community Assets" event, at Seneca Park Zoo. The awards will be given jointly by the Rochester-Monroe County Youth Bureau and the Monroe County Asset Partner Network.

"Monroe County is committed to Positive Youth Development through asset building," said County Executive Jack Doyle. "Assets have a tremendous impact on adolescent behavior – both protecting young people from problem behavior and promoting positive behaviors. We are extremely pleased to be honoring individuals and organizations in our area for positively influencing young peoples' lives."

The Family Celebration will be held from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and offer honored individuals and their guests a complimentary visit to the zoo and lunch. Community asset building groups from throughout the county will have displays at the event. The awards ceremony will commence at 1:00 p.m.

A total of 156 individuals and 14 community groups, comprised of youth and adults, will be honored from the following areas: City of Rochester; Penfield; Perinton/Fairport; Pittsford; Honeoye Falls-Lima; East Rochester; Irondequoit; Gates/Chili; Webster; and Henrietta.

Examples of asset initiatives undertaken by those being recognized include organizing a coastal cleanup and mailing medical supplies overseas, beautifying Fairport High School bathrooms, planting flowers in neighborhoods, being positive role models for youth, and retirees volunteering to work and participate in extra curricular activities with youth.

For more information on how to become involved in Positive Youth Development through asset building, call the Rochester-Monroe County Youth Bureau at 428-4950.

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